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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commission,

As a former Mayor, I know the importance of job creation. I am writing today to bring to your attention a company called LightSquared. It wants to invest \$14 billion over the next several years, creating 16,000 jobs each year – including in Arkansas.

LightSquared is a telecom company that has provided satellite communications to first responders and other public safety agencies for many years. LightSquared has ambitious plans to build a national broadband wireless system that would reach most of the U.S. and benefit Arkansas greatly.

I believe that accessible, affordable high-speed broadband is essential for Arkansas to remain economically competitive in the coming years. LightSquared will help ensure that rural America has adequate broadband capacity, through private-sector, job-creating investment.

A nationwide wireless broadband network allowing connectivity anywhere would be an important asset to our state and our nation, and LightSquared's investments will create jobs. I believe that it is American companies like LightSquared that will help bring our country back to the forefront of innovation and get our economy moving again.

Sincerely,

Sharon Priest, Executive Director
Downtown Little Rock Partnership

CC:
Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Michael Copps
Commissioner Robert McDowell